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mySAP.com™ Supply Chain Management

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mySAP.com™ **Supply Chain Management** enables collaborative network optimization across the extended **supply chain** to help companies work closely with their partners to excel at customer service and order fulfillment. Built on the flexible and open mySAP.com Internet-Business Framework, the **supply chain management** solution provides a company and its **supply chain** partners with visibility of critical information about inventory levels, orders, forecasts, production plans and other key performance indicators to increase service and reduce investments in inventory.

Internet-Enabled Supply Chain Management Applications

mySAP.com **Supply Chain Management** seamlessly combines comprehensive tools to integrate information and decisions from the entire **supply chain** into a seamless, automated and optimized information infrastructure. The solution covers all major functional areas, including demand and **supply** planning, distribution and production planning, manufacturing scheduling and execution, materials and inventory **management**, production control and maintenance, procurement, transportation **management**, internal trade logistics and warehouse **management**.

The solution for advanced planning and optimization within mySAP.com has been installed at 510 customer sites across multiple industries worldwide. The delivery of additional functionality in May 2000 added more collaborative planning and transportation optimization capabilities as well as additional vertical industry functionality, while continuing to provide a portal for interfacing with the external electronic marketplaces. mySAP.com **Supply Chain Management** can be tailored to meet current and future **supply chain** strategy requirements, thereby providing a flexible, profit-oriented approach to the new Internet economy and the cornerstone for collaborative e-business partnerships.

SAP customers are well prepared to face **supply chain** operation challenges that arise from Internet trading processes. Key advantages that SAP customers have over competitors include easier collaboration and exchange of information with suppliers, customers and partners, including the dynamic procurement of direct material via electronic marketplaces, enabling faster and more flexible fulfillment of customer orders.

SAP delivers mySAP.com **Supply Chain Management** through personalized, functionally rich portals based on the mySAP.com Workplace. Users gain fast, easy and convenient access, direct or over the Web, to all the internal and external applications, business content and services required for their jobs. These portals empower users to perform effectively in dynamic, fast-paced, market-driven business environments, putting the appropriate information and applications just a keystroke away via an interface that is easy to learn, customize and use.

The role-based mySAP.com **Supply Chain Management** solution is delivered through the mySAP.com portals, providing users with functionality relevant to their specific job. mySAP.com **Supply Chain Management** role-based portals are designed for consumers, customers, employees, service partners and suppliers. Also, mySAP.com **Supply Chain Management** can be linked via the Internet to other vendors' **supply chain** solutions and electronic marketplaces.

New or enhanced functionality for mySAP.com **Supply Chain Management** includes the following:

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- **Production Planning and Detailed Scheduling** are further enhancements, which include the new planning monitor that enables planners to define score cards to evaluate planning runs and the Purchasing Workbench. SAP completes the spectrum of manufacturing processes to cover discrete, process, repetitive and mixed modes. The Purchasing Workbench integrates direct material procurement over the Internet with manufacturing planning.
- **Handling Unit Management** enables companies to streamline their movement-of-goods and packing processes, and handle recall, backtracing and quality processes based on boxes, pallets or containers. Supporting the EAN128 bar-code standard, radio frequency-based scanning provides speed, efficiency and data reliability.
- **Express Parcel Shipment** enhances the tracking of parcels from the beginning of the logistics process through to parcel delivery services until arrival at the final destination. The key benefit is an overall cost reduction through integration of all involved parties in areas such as label printing and freight cost manifesting.
- **The Foreign Trade Atrium** serves as a portal to provide all relevant information and processes on import/export data, periodic declarations to the authorities, preferences, documentary payments, legal control of shipments, communication and printing as well as support of documentary payments. Uploading and updating customs data and tariffs are eased through the Foreign Trade marketplace.

Industry Features Added to mySAP.com Supply Chain Management

Besides standard functionality utilized across all industries, mySAP.com **Supply Chain Management** delivers tailor-made solutions that cater to industry variants. The Campaign Optimizer, for example, optimizes production campaigns in the chemical, steel and paper industries, and the Feature-Based Optimizer optimizes car sequencing in the automotive industry.

mySAP.com solutions can be test-driven using the SAPTM Internet Demonstration and Evaluation System (IDES-Online) at <http://ides.sap.com>.

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